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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed within the shortened statutory period for response to the Office action mailed on July 30, 2003.

No fee, petition, or certification is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee due, or credit any overcharge, as a result of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.

Please amend the above-identified patent application without prejudice as follows.